

A SUMMARY OF KANSAS EVENTS.

Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

The grand lodge of Knights of Pythias of Kansas held its annual meeting at Kansas City last week. The following officers were chosen: Grand chancellor, W. J. Duval, Wichita; grand vice chancellor, S. O. McDowell, Columbus; grand prelate, Frank L. Britton, Osage City; grand keeper of records and seals, Gus J. Neubert, Kansas City; grand master of exchequer, A. C. Jones, Wichita. The next meeting of the grand lodge will be held in Wichita. Gus J. Neubert, who was chosen grand keeper of records and seals, has served 25 years in that capacity. The report of the grand keeper of records and seals showed that there are 213 subordinate lodges in the Kansas domain, with a total membership of 11,961. The order paid out \$18,389.31 for relief during the year, and at the beginning of the present year had \$38,059.31 on hand with other assets, including bonds, real estate and paraphernalia, aggregating \$184,086.25. A feature of the grand lodge was the parade under command of Brig. Gen. Joseph H. Lyon, of Leavenworth. At night a grand ball was given. In the competitive drill, Uniform Rank, Girard, carried off first prize (\$150) and Leavenworth secured second prize.

The Rathbone Sisters, auxiliary to the Knights of Pythias, elected Mrs. Mattie A. Fox, of Larned, grand chief and Ida Wilkinson, of Yates Center, grand secretary. The report of the retiring grand treasurer of the grand temple showed that the finances of the temple had developed during the past year from a deficit of \$300 into a balance on the credit side of the ledger of \$1,109. The report was enthusiastically received.

Millers in a Combine.

The Kansas Millers' Export company came into existence at the meeting of the representative Kansas millers at the Coates house in Kansas City, Mo. It will be incorporated under the laws of Kansas, with a capital stock of \$100,000, and the charter will state that its principal purpose is the advancement of export business among Kansas mills. Heretofore there has been much confusion in the selling of Kansas flour for export, as all had to be sold by sample, and there was often vexatious delay and dissatisfaction in filling orders. The new company will guarantee every sale made by grade. It is the intention to establish agencies in the principal cities of Europe, and also in some of the larger cities of this country. As soon as the company is in working order a fight will be started for equitable freight rates on flour in comparison to rates on wheat.

Why Carpenter Declined It.

It is gossip in republican circles that John C. Carpenter, of Neosho county, declined Senator Burton's offer to make him United States district attorney because of his dislike for United States Judge Hook. As the relations of judge and attorney are confidential, Carpenter believed that his acceptance of the position would be embarrassing, to say the least. The Carpenter-Hook quarrel is not of a political character.

Knocked Out Old Soldiers' Law.

The old soldiers' appointment law passed by the last legislature, and which compels the appointment of old soldiers to state and municipal jobs, was declared unconstitutional by Judge A. R. Clark at Sterling. Judge Clark says the legislature might as well try to force the voters at the polls to vote for old soldiers as to force their appointment.

Mrs. Stanley Would Avoid Talk.

Gov. Stanley expects to occupy the executive mansion next week. He will take none of his own furniture into the house, and so when he leaves he will take nothing out. This is Mrs. Stanley's suggestion. She wants to give no opportunity whatever for people to say the Stanleys carried off state property.

Plans Temperance Revivals.

The state temperance union has decided to employ four sets of evangelists for work in Kansas from now on until the annual convention of the union in January. Every set will consist of a speaker and a singer. It is the intention of the union to have a temperance revival in every county.

Railroads Liable to the Shipper.

Keek & Young, of Yates Center, have brought suit against the Santa Fe for failure to supply cars for a large shipment of corn. Under the new railroad law a company failing to supply cars to shippers is liable for the actual damages sustained by the shipper.

In Spite of a Quarantine.

The Solomon high school commencement exercises forbidden by the Dickinson county board of health were held just over the county line in Saline county, hacks and carriages taking the pupils and their friends.

Kansas Christian Endeavorers.

Over 1,200 delegates attended the state Christian Endeavor convention at Fort Scott. The following officers were elected: President, Rev. Frank Fox, Kansas City; secretary, Dr. George A. Crist, Manhattan; treasurer, J. R. Little, Laclede; junior superintendent, Miss Addie Mains, Oskaloosa. The membership in the state is 20,000. During the year the societies reported gave \$3,349 to missions and \$3,598 to other benevolences. The junior societies gave about \$1,000 to missions.

Wyandotte Heads the List.

Wyandotte county still retains the lead in the value of railroad property. Crawford county is second. There are five counties in the state that have neither railroad, telegraph nor telephone property within their borders. They are Grant, Haskell, Morton, Stanton and Stevens, all located in southwestern Kansas. The total Pullman, telegraph, telephone and railroad assessment for all the counties is \$59,481,211.

Mrs. Lease a Bankrupt.

Mary Ellen Lease, the lecturer, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court in New York. The liabilities are \$3,247; assets, \$2,293. Much of the indebtedness was incurred as indorser on mortgages given by her husband, C. L. Lease. All of the assets named by the petitioner consist of debts due, and are either for money loaned or for lectures delivered by Mrs. Lease.

Coffeyville Commercial Club's Work.

The Coffeyville Commercial club and the gas company have purchased 397 acres of land adjacent to the city on which will be located several large factories that have been secured by the Commercial club. The Missouri Pacific railroad has also purchased 70 acres to be used for switching, storage tracks, shops and a 600,000-bushel elevator.

Double Check on Grain Inspectors.

State Auditor Cole is now having a roundup with the grain elevator men of Kansas. Under the new law the elevator men are compelled to file monthly statements with the state auditor showing the number of cars of grain inspected by the state grain inspector. The object of this law is to have a double check on the grain department.

Wealth Hid in Her Stocking.

Wrapped in a stocking and secreted in a trunk, was \$5,000, the savings of Eliza Kearnes, a cook for a private family in Wichita, who died apparently without relatives or friends. The body was to have been buried in the potter's field, but the money was accidentally found a few hours before the funeral and she was given a public burial.

Says Counties Must Pay Up.

The attorney general has rendered an opinion which, if upheld by the supreme court, will require counties to pay the entire amount of state tax levied against them whether they collect it from the individual taxpayers or not. If the opinion is not upheld by the supreme court, then the state will lose \$500,000 in revenues this year.

Atchison Woman's Strange Affliction.

Mrs. J. L. Williamson, of Atchison, drank a small snake in some well water nine years ago and for six years she has been an invalid on that account. Saturday she was taken violently ill and in a fit of vomiting threw the snake up, which was over 18 inches long.

Two Young Boys Drowned.

Henry Kriche and Leo Lynch, nine-year-old boys, were drowned in the Kaw river near the James street bridge while fishing in an improvised boat, which capsized. The Lynch boy met his death in a heroic attempt to save the life of his little companion.

Were the Pride of the Town.

A fire at Effingham destroyed the barn and sheds of Harvey Williams' place, which have been the pride of the city ever since they were built, together with six horses, a number of sets of harness and farming implements.

Leland Buys a Topeka Home.

Cyrus Leland has purchased a fine residence in Topeka, which is taken to mean that he is not to be disturbed as pension agent for the next four years.

Young Girl Accidentally Shot.

Miss Ethel Brant, a farmer's daughter three miles east of Augusta, was accidentally shot in the forehead by her sister and will die.

Many Wheat Fields Ruined.

Reports of the devastation of wheat fields over McPherson county by the Hessian fly continue to come in. Many fields are entirely ruined.

THE SASKATOON DISTRICT.

One of the New Western Canada Districts—The Great Advantages of Settlement Where the Soil is of Unexampled Fertility.

During the past year or two a large number of American settlers (those going from the United States to Canada), have made homes in the Saskatoon district in western Canada. They have found the climate all that could be desired, and their prospects are of the brightest. In writing of it a correspondent says:

The lands for sale are choice selections from a large area, and every farm is within easy distance of a railway station. Experience has shown that this district enjoys immunity from summer frost, from cyclones and blizzards. The South Saskatchewan, flowing through the tract, is one of the finest rivers in the country, being navigable and having an average width of stream of 1,000 feet.

The agents of the government of Canada, whose advertisement appears elsewhere in your paper, and who will be glad to give full information, tell me that within the limits of the tract there are two distinct varieties of soil. One is a rich black loam; and the other is a somewhat lighter loam, containing a small admixture of sand. There appears to be no appreciable difference between the fertility of these two kinds of soil. Both are alluvial in their characteristics; both are marvelously productive, and both rest upon a sub-soil of clay. The advantage of this formation is that it retains the heat of the day during the night, and is favorable to the early maturity of crops. Every kind of crop will here attain the highest perfection of quality. The land is admirably adapted for stock raising and dairy farming, as well as growing grain. Some idea of the richness of the natural grasses of the prairie may be formed from the fact that more than 200 tons of hay were gathered within a short distance of Saskatoon and stored up for use during the winter. A growth so luxuriant demonstrates beyond all possible question the suitability of the land for pasturing cattle, and no doubt this important industry will be largely carried on.

Nature has been lavish in her gifts to this territory. Not only is the soil of unexampled fertility, but the climate is delightful and healthy. Such is the testimony of every settler, and this testimony is confirmed by enthusiastic opinions from every traveler, explorer, missionary or newspaper correspondent who has ever visited this far-famed Saskatchewan Valley. In former years vast herds of buffalo came here to winter from the elevated storm-swept regions south of the United States boundary line, proving thereby the adaptation of these rolling prairies to the purpose of raising stock. The land is dry, with sufficient, but not excessive, rainfall, capable of early cultivation in the spring, and free from summer frosts. The configuration of the country renders artificial drainage unnecessary, and prevents the accumulation of stagnant pools; mists and fogs are seldom seen. The days of summer are full of sunshine, under the genial influence of which crops rapidly ripen. Autumn is characterized by an almost unbroken succession of fine weather, during which the crops are safely garnered. In winter it is cold, but extremely exhilarating and pleasant, owing to the wonderful dryness and bracing qualities of the air. The winter is a source of profit as well as enjoyment to the people, being far healthier than a humid climate.

Water and fuel, these two prime necessities of life, are plentiful throughout the district.

Lights That Shine.

"Do you think the present generation will produce men as great as those who have gone before?" asked the worried man. "I don't know," answered Farmer Corn-tassel. "It seems to me you don't hear as much about young men studyin' by pine knots an' taller dips as you did them days. Cigarettes an' fireworks seem to be more in demand now."—Washington Star.

Examining the Books.

"I haven't seen your cashier for several days past." "No, he's gone out of town." "Ah! Gone for a rest, eh?" "We haven't found out yet whether he's gone for a rest or to escape it."—Philadelphia Press.

An Admission.

She—You must be careful and not sit too near me. Mother has a way of coming into the room unexpectedly. He—That is mean of her. "Isn't it? Hardly a night goes by that I am not nearly mortified to death."—Detroit Free Press.

Smart Answer.

"You fell into the creek with your new breeches on?" "Yes, pop. You see, I fell in, so quick I hadn't time to take them off." "A smart answer, my son. So suppose you take them off now."—Philadelphia Times.

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A Guess at It.

A rain that was black and greasy fell the other day in South Dakota. This explains the recent activity of the inhabitants of the planet Mars. They have been shooting an oil well.—Rochester Union.

A New Monocle.

"What a peculiar monocle that golfer is wearing!" "Yes, that is the very latest. It is called the hoot-monocle!"—Detroit Journal.

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Just Like Home.—"Did they make you feel at home over at Mrs. Smith's, Johnny?" "Yes, ma; Mrs. Smith told me 't' wipe m' feet 'n' not muss the tidies, 'n' did'n' give me but one piece o' pie."—Philadelphia Evening Telegraph.

She—"I wonder, Harry, if you would marry again if I should die?" He—"You little silly, don't you see that I couldn't marry again unless you did die?"—Boston Transcript.

"After we are married," said the enthusiastic lover, "life will be one grand, sweet song." "Yes," answered the older man, "a soprano solo."—Town Topics.

Qualified.—"Doesn't Isabel use a good deal of face powder?" "Face powder! She ought to belong to the Plasterers' union."—N. Y. World.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

It's love that makes the world go round, but it's marriage that keeps most of the inhabitants hustling.—Puck.

You cannot be cheerful if you have dyspepsia. You won't have dyspepsia if you chew White's "Yucatan."

When a man is wrong and won't admit it the only thing he can do is to get mad.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

It's easy to gain notoriety; but it's hard to get any real good out of it.—Atchison Globe.

Many an old bachelor proposes—to remain single.—Chicago Daily News.

Lots of women spoil their husbands by not trying to.—N. Y. Press.

One-half the world smiles at the frowns of the other half.—Chicago Daily News.

Doctors understand old age, but they can't cure it.—Atchison Globe.

Printing Without Ink.

A company has been formed to control the process of printing without ink, and in a short time it is expected that old methods will be revolutionized. There is one thing, however, that has resisted all innovations; that is, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It is a wonderful medicine for dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness, insomnia, constipation and nervousness. It also prevents malaria, fever and ague. Try it, and you will not be disappointed.

A steady job is better than half a loaf.—Chicago Daily News.

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